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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(p), applicants have authorized the charge of the \$180.00 fee for filing this portion of the Information Disclosure Statement to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. deposit account number 11-0875 in the first electronic submission, 16876-E-ids-2003-11-07, EFS ID 50349, time stamped 2003-11-07 14:34:00 EDT. Please charge any other prosecutorial fees which are due to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. deposit account number 11-0875.

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Applicants recommend that the Examiner conduct an independent search for any and all available material prior art and independently review the results of such search and the documents cited within this Statement.

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The undersigned may be reached at: 920-721-3862.

Respectfully submitted,

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